

WWB COMPLAINT INVESTIGATION REPORT

Complaint I.D. No. [PAGE][PAGE][FORMTEXT]

INVESTIGATOR [FORMTEXT] DATE [FORMTEXT] TIME [FORMTEXT]
LOCATION [FORMTEXT]

WEATHER: [FORMCHECKBOX] Sunny [FORMCHECKBOX] Partly Cloudy
 [FORMCHECKBOX] Overcast [FORMCHECKBOX] Drizzle [FORMCHECKBOX] Raining
 [FORMCHECKBOX] Windy (>15 mph) [FORMCHECKBOX] Mild
Wind (<15 mph) [FORMCHECKBOX] No Wind (0 mph)
ODORS: [FORMCHECKBOX] Foul/Obnoxious [FORMCHECKBOX] None
 Intensity: [FORMCHECKBOX] Slight [FORMCHECKBOX] Strong
 Duration: [FORMCHECKBOX] Intermittent [FORMCHECKBOX] Continuous

WASTEWATER SPILL: [FORMCHECKBOX] Not applicable
 Source: [FORMCHECKBOX] C/P [FORMCHECKBOX] Seepage Pit
 [FORMCHECKBOX] Leach Field [FORMCHECKBOX] Cleanout
 [FORMCHECKBOX] Piggery (See Form A) [FORMCHECKBOX] Wastewater Pond
 [FORMCHECKBOX] Other [FORMTEXT]
 Spill to State Waters: [FORMCHECKBOX] Yes [FORMCHECKBOX] No
 [FORMCHECKBOX] Storm Drain [FORMCHECKBOX] Stream [FORMCHECKBOX] Ocean [FORMCHECKBOX] Ditch
 [FORMCHECKBOX] Other [FORMTEXT]
 Spill to Ground: [FORMCHECKBOX] Sidewalk [FORMCHECKBOX] Gutter [FORMCHECKBOX] Roadway
 [FORMCHECKBOX] Soil [FORMCHECKBOX] Grass
 [FORMCHECKBOX] Neighboring Property
 [FORMCHECKBOX] Other [FORMTEXT]
 Standing Liquid: [FORMCHECKBOX] Yes [FORMCHECKBOX] No

[FORMCHECKBOX] Near Cesspool [FORMCHECKBOX] Near
cleanout [FORMCHECKBOX] Other [FORMTEXT] _____

Flowing Liquid: [FORMCHECKBOX] Yes [FORMCHECKBOX] No

Liquid Seeping From: [FORMCHECKBOX] Soil [FORMCHECKBOX]
Leach Field [FORMCHECKBOX] C/P Cover

[FORMCHECKBOX] Gravel [FORMCHECKBOX] Retaining Wall
[FORMCHECKBOX] Rock Wall [FORMCHECKBOX] Hollow Tile Wall
[FORMCHECKBOX] Asphalt [FORMCHECKBOX] Grassed Area
[FORMCHECKBOX] Driveway

Trail of Liquid Present: [FORMCHECKBOX] Damp [FORMCHECKBOX] Dry

Visible Remnants: [FORMCHECKBOX] Toilet Paper [FORMCHECKBOX] Fecal
Matter [FORMCHECKBOX] Grease
[FORMCHECKBOX] Other (Describe) [FORMTEXT] _____

Ground Unaffected by the Spill: [FORMCHECKBOX] Dry [FORMCHECKBOX] Damp

Ground Near IWS: [FORMCHECKBOX] Greener Grass [FORMCHECKBOX] Greener Weeds
[FORMCHECKBOX] Dry Soil [FORMCHECKBOX] Moist Soil [FORMCHECKBOX] Damp Concrete
[FORMCHECKBOX] Damp Asphalt [FORMCHECKBOX] Other [FORMTEXT] _____

Algae Growth: [FORMCHECKBOX] On Sidewalk [FORMCHECKBOX] On Gutter
[FORMCHECKBOX] On Wall [FORMCHECKBOX] On Road [FORMCHECKBOX] On Concrete
[FORMCHECKBOX] On Ground [FORMCHECKBOX] Other [FORMTEXT] _____

CESSPOOL CONDITION:

[FORMCHECKBOX] Cover Collapsed/broken [FORMCHECKBOX]
Sunken [FORMCHECKBOX] Hole/gap at Cover's Edge
[FORMCHECKBOX] Access Cover Missing [FORMCHECKBOX]
Unknown (Explain) [FORMTEXT] _____
[FORMCHECKBOX] Other [FORMTEXT] _____

SEPTIC TANK CONDITION:

[FORMCHECKBOX] Riser Broken [FORMCHECKBOX] Collapsed
[FORMCHECKBOX] Unknown (Explain) [FORMTEXT] _____

LEACH FIELD CONDITION:

[FORMCHECKBOX] Sunken Ground [FORMCHECKBOX] Damp/Wet Ground
[FORMCHECKBOX] Ruts/Cracks (channel, tire tracks)
[FORMCHECKBOX] Distribution Box Damaged

CLEANOUT:

[FORMCHECKBOX] Cap Missing [FORMCHECKBOX] Cap Broken

SETBACK VIOLATION: [FORMCHECKBOX] Not Applicable

[FORMCHECKBOX] From Property Line (Cesspool < 9'; Seepage Pit < 9';
Leach Field < 5'; Treatment Unit < 5')
[FORMCHECKBOX] From Wall Line of Structure (C/P, S/P, L/F, T/U, < 5')
[FORMCHECKBOX] From Stream, Ocean @ vegetation line, pond, lake, < 50'

FINDINGS & CONCLUSION (include photos and sketch as needed):

Complainant requested the inspector visit his property first before conducting the investigation.

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who also lives on the property were present to show the location where the alleged wastewater pools (see pic 1). At time of inspection, there were no adverse odors. The yard was damp from rain so determining whether wastewater seeped from the soil or flowed to the alleged spot could not be ascertained. Complainant had pictures

showing the spot with a whitish color. There was a black pipe (see pic 3) at the property boundary that discharges liquid into vegetation about 20 feet from alleged wastewater spot. The discharge from the black pipe may be the source of the whitish liquid (possibly laundry water).

After investigating the property of the complainant, the cesspool was checked on the neighboring property. The property owner, Richard Kozuma, had the pumper truck in the morning to pump the cesspool. He indicated the cesspool is pumped every other month. At time of investigation, there did not appear to be any overflow. Complainant mentioned the cesspool may be in violation of setback requirements (9 ft.) to his property. According to complainant [REDACTED] [REDACTED] there was some dispute with his neighbor (Richard Kozuma) as to the property boundary line. (Note also that the property is located next to the shoreline and the setback distance to the ocean is 50 feet.)

On the property, there are two structures which is serviced by the cesspool. Richard bought the property in 1974 and said the cesspool was already in place for the two structures. No one permanently lives in the second structure (“cottage”) which is used only when his grandson visits. C&C DPP site shows 2 single family dwellings, year built 1956.

The black pipe (see pic 3) was used to dispose laundry water. Richard indicated the black pipe initially drained excess rain water. At time of inspection, the pipe was observed to be extending to the back of the washer. He was informed not to discharge the gray water through the black pipe, so he got a hack saw and cut the line on ground level to return the black pipe’s previous function diverting rain water. There was also another black pipe for rain water from the rooftop gutters of the house (see pic 5); the rain water discharge could also be contributing liquid flow with laundry water to complainant’s property.

Since the cesspool is “grandfathered”, the cesspool setback requirements are not enforced. However, the cesspool is an LCC for servicing two dwellings and thus, the case will be referred to EPA.



Pic 1 - location where complainant alleges wastewater pools. The spot is between the two palm trees. Property boundary to the right is about 12 to 15 feet.



Pic 2 - close-up view of pic 1



Pic 3 – drain pipe for laundry water



Pic 4 – cesspool



Pic 5 - black pipe for rain water at rooftop gutters. The pipe is located near the cesspool and discharges near the property boundary

I took the photographs shown in this report on December 18, 2017. Photos shown in this report were taken with a Canon Power Shot SD400 digital ELPH 5.0 mega pixels digital camera by me. Photos are true, accurate, and reflect what I observed there at the time.
